## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

| IN RE: NATIONAL FOOTBALL   |
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| LEAGUE PLAYERS' CONCUSSION |
| INJURY LITIGATION          |
|                            |

MDL No. 2323

This relates to:

Plaintiffs' Master Administrative Long-Form Complaint and William Wynn, et al. v. NFL, USDC, EDPA, 2:12-cv-03731

**BRANDON WHITING** 

## SHORT FORM COMPLAINT

IN RE: NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE PLAYERS' CONCUSSION INJURY LITIGATION

JURY TRIAL DEMANDED

## **SHORT FORM COMPLAINT**

- Plaintiffs, BRANDON WHITING, and Plaintiff's Spouse AMANDA
   WHITING, bring this civil action as a related action in the matter entitled IN RE: NATIONAL
   FOOTBALL LEAGUE PLAYERS' CONCUSSION INJURY LITIGATION, MDL No. 2323.
- 2. Plaintiff and Plaintiff's Spouse are filing this short form complaint as required by this Court's Case Management Order No. 2, filed April 26, 2012.
- 3. Plaintiff and Plaintiff's Spouse, incorporate by reference the allegations (as designated below) of the Master Administrative Long-Form Complaint, as may be amended, as if fully set forth at length in this Short Form Complaint.
  - 4. NOT APPLICABLE

- 5. Plaintiff, **BRANDON WHITING**, is a resident and citizen of Haddonfield, New Jersey and claims damages as set forth below.
- 6. Plaintiff's spouse, **AMANDA WHITING**, is a resident and citizen of Haddonfield, New Jersey, and claims damages as a result of loss of consortium proximately caused by the harm suffered by her Plaintiff husband.
- 7. On information and belief, the Plaintiff sustained repetitive, traumatic sub-concussive and/or concussive head impacts during NFL games and/or practices. On information and belief, Plaintiff suffers from symptoms of brain injury caused by the repetitive, traumatic sub-concussive and/or concussive head impacts the Plaintiff sustained during NFL games and/or practices. On information and belief, the Plaintiff's symptoms arise from injuries that are latent and have developed and continue to develop over time.
- 8. The original complaint by Plaintiff(s) in this matter was filed in United States

  District Court, Eastern District of Pennsylvania.

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| Plaint   | iff claims damages as a result of [check all that apply]: |
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| <u>X</u> | Injury to Herself/Himself                                 |
| <u>X</u> | Injury to the Person Represented                          |
|          | Wrongful Death  |
| _        | Survivorship Action                                       |
| <u>X</u> | Economic Loss   |
|          | Loss of Services  |

|            |            | Loss of Consortium   |
|------------|------------|--|
| 1          | 0.         | As a result of the injuries to her husband,, Plaintiff's                           |
| Spouse,    |            | , suffers from a loss of consortium, including the                                 |
| followin   | g inju     | pries:   |
| _          | <u>X</u>   | loss of marital services;  |
| _          | <u>X</u> _ | loss of companionship, affection or society;                                       |
| _          | <u>X</u> 1 | oss of support; and  |
| _          | <u>X</u> 1 | monetary losses in the form of unreimbursed costs she has had to expend for the    |
| h          | ealth      | care and personal care of her husband.   |
| 1          | 1.         | X Plaintiff and Plaintiff's Spouse, reserve the right to object to federal         |
| jurisdicti | ion.       |  |
|            |            |  |
|            |            | <u>DEFENDANTS</u>  |
| 1          | 2.         | Plaintiff and Plaintiff's Spouse, bring this case against the following Defendants |
| in this ac | ction      | [check all that apply]:  |
|            |            | X National Football League   |
|            |            | X NFL Properties, LLC  |
|            |            | Riddell, Inc.  |
|            |            | All American Sports, Inc. (d/b/a Riddell Sports Group, Inc.)                       |

|        |           |                       | Riddell Sports Group, Inc.  |
|--------|-----------|-----------------------|---|
|        |           |                       | Easton-Bell Sports, Inc.  |
|        |           |                       | Easton-Bell Sports, LLC   |
|        |           |                       | EB Sports Corporation   |
|        |           |                       | RBG Holdings Corporation  |
|        | 13.       | NOT A                 | APPLICABLE  |
|        | 14.       | NOT                   | APPLICABLE  |
|        | 15.       | Plainti               | ff played in X the National Football League ("NFL") and/or in the     |
| Ameri  | ican Fo   | otball Le             | eague ("AFL") during 1998-05 for the following teams:                 |
|        |           | lelphia I<br>rancisco | <u> </u>  |
|        |           |                       | CAUSES OF ACTION  |
|        | 16.       | Plainti               | ff herein adopts by reference the following Counts of the Master      |
| Admi   | nistrativ | e Long                | Form Complaint, along with the factual allegations incorporated by    |
| refere | nce in t  | hose Co               | unts [check all that apply]:  |
|        |           | <u>X</u>              | Count I (Action for Declaratory Relief – Liability (Against the NFL)) |
|        |           | <u>X</u>              | Count II (Medical Monitoring (Against the NFL))                       |
|        |           |                       | Count III (Wrongful Death and Survival Actions (Against the NFL))     |
|        |           | <u>X</u>              | Count IV (Fraudulent Concealment (Against the NFL))                   |

| <u>X</u> _ | Count V (Fraud (Against the NFL))   |
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| X          | Count VI (Negligent Misrepresentation (Against the NFL))                              |
| <u>X</u>   | Count VII (Negligence Pre-1968 (Against the NFL))                                     |
| <u>X</u>   | Count VIII (Negligence Post-1968 (Against the NFL))                                   |
| <u>X</u>   | Count IX (Negligence 1987-1993 (Against the NFL))                                     |
| <u>X</u>   | Count X (Negligence Post-1994 (Against the NFL))                                      |
| <u>X</u>   | Count XI (Loss of Consortium (Against the NFL))                                       |
| <u>X</u>   | Count XII (Negligent Hiring (Against the NFL))  |
| <u>X</u>   | Count XIII (Negligent Retention (Against the NFL))                                    |
|            | Count XIV (Strict Liability for Design Defect (Against the Riddell Defendants))       |
|            | Count XV (Strict Liability for Manufacturing Defect (Against the Riddell Defendants)) |
|            | Count XVI (Failure to Warn (Against the Riddell Defendants))                          |
|            | Count XVII (Negligence (Against the Riddell Defendants))                              |
| <u>X</u>   | Count XVIII (Civil Conspiracy/Fraudulent Concealment (Against All Defendants))        |
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17. Plaintiff asserts the following additional causes of action [write in or attach]:

|    | PRAYER FOR RELIEF  |
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| W] | HEREFORE, Plaintiff and Plaintiff's Spouse, pray for judgment as follows:            |
| A. | An award of compensatory damages, the amount of which will be determined at          |
| В. | For punitive and exemplary damages as applicable;                                    |
| C. | For all applicable statutory damages of the state whose laws will govern this acti   |
| D. | For medical monitoring, whether denominated as damages or in the form of equivalent; |
| E. | For an award of attorneys' fees and costs;   |
| F. | An award of prejudgment interest and costs of suit; and                              |
|    | An award of such other and further relief as the Court deems just and proper.        |

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

jury.

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